## Claims

- 1. Conveyor belt (1) having a bearing side (2) and a backing side (3) made of elastomer material, as well as an embedded reinforcement carrier (4), characterized in that the bearing side (2) is reinforced with ball-type elements (5).
- 2. Conveyor belt according to claim 1, characterized in that the ball-type elements (5) are disposed within at least one layer (6).
- 3. Conveyor belt according to claim 2, characterized in that the ball-type elements (5) are disposed within a single layer (6).
- 4. Conveyor belt according to claim 2 or 3, characterized in that the layer(s) (6) is/are disposed close to the reinforcement carrier (4).
- 5. Conveyor belt according to claim 2 or 3, characterized in that the layer(s) is/are disposed approximately in

the center of the bearing side (2), specifically with reference to the thickness of the bearing side.

- 6. Conveyor belt according to claim 2 or 3, characterized in that layer(s) is/are disposed close to the surface of the bearing side (2), specifically with complete embedding.
- 7. Conveyor belt according to one of claims 1 to 6, characterized in that the ball-type element reinforcement extends over the entire width of the conveyor belt.
- 8. Conveyor belt according to one of claims 1 to 6, characterized in that the ball-type element reinforcement extends parallel, with reference to the width of the conveyor belt, for example in the center or the two edge regions of the conveyor belt.
- 9. Conveyor belt according to one of claims 1 to 8, characterized in that the ball-type element reinforcement extends essentially over the entire length of the conveyor belt.

- 10. Conveyor belt according to one of claims 1 to 8, characterized in that the ball-type element reinforcement extends partially with reference to the length of the conveyor belt.
- 11. Conveyor belt according to one of claims 1 to 10, characterized in that the ball-type elements (5) consist of plastic.
- 12. Conveyor belt according to claim 11, characterized in that the ball-type elements (5) consist of polyurethane (PUR) or polyoxymethylene (POM).
- 13. Conveyor belt according to one of claims 1 to 10, characterized in that the ball-type elements (5) consist of glass.
- 14. Conveyor belt according to one of claims 1 to 10, characterized in that the ball-type elements (5) consist of a metallic material.

- 15. Conveyor belt according to claim 14, characterized in that the ball-type elements (5) consist of steel, particularly a steel that has been hardened throughout, or of aluminum or lead.
- 16. Conveyor belt according to one of claims 1 to 15, characterized in that the ball-type elements (5) have essentially the same diameter.
- 17. Conveyor belt according to one of claims 1 to 16, particularly in connection with claim 16, characterized in that the diameter of the ball-type elements (5) is 1 to 5 mm.
- 18. Conveyor belt according to claim 17, characterized in that the diameter of the ball-type elements (5) is 3 to 4 mm.
- 19. Conveyor belt according to one of claims 1 to 18, particularly in connection with claim 2 or 3, characterized in that the elastomer density of the ball-type element reinforcement is 1.0 to 2.0 g/cm<sup>3</sup>.

20. Conveyor belt according to claim 19, characterized in that the elastomer density of the ball-type element reinforcement is 1.1 to 1.6  $\rm g/cm^3$ .

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